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SUBJECT: ENERGY CONSUMPTION PATTERNS

REF: A. TOKYO 15044 (1973) B. TOKYO 15634 (1973)

C. TOKYO 0123 (1974) D. TOKYO 0601 (1974)

E. TOKYO 1655 (1974) F. TOKYO 2342 (1974)

G. TOKYO 2610 (1974) H. TOKYO 3641 (1974)

I. TOKYO 4470 (1974) J. TOKYO 6972 (1974)

K. TOKYO 9801 (1974) L. TOKYO 14269 (1974)

M. TOKYO 15804 (1974) N. TOKYO 16489 (1974)

O. TOKYO 16698 P. STATE 074300

1. JAPAN'S ENERGY CONSERVATION POLICIES BASICALLY CAN BE DIVIDED INTO THREE PERIODS: A) EMERGENCY MEASURES TO MEET 1973 OIL EMBARGO; B) GRADUAL LIFTING OF CONTROLS AS SUPPLY RESTABILIZED; AND C) CURRENT EFFORTS TO ENCOURAGE VOLUNTARY CONSERVATION UNDER CONDITIONS OF OVERSUPPLY. REFS A AND B DESCRIBE PHASE I, REFS C-J DESCRIBE PHASE II; AND REFS K-O OUTLINE CURRENT POLICIES.

2. IT IS DIFFICULT TO DETERMINE NET CONSERVATION OF ENERGY ACHIEVED UNDER GOJ PROGRAMS. IN 1974 CONSUMPTION OF OIL FELL ALMOST 4 PERCENT BELOW 1973 LEVEL, BUT
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JAPANESE GNP ALSO DECLINED IN REAL TERMS. MINISTRY OF

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY (MITI) ESTIMATE PROVIDED TO EMBASSY IS THAT CONSERVATION MEASURES RESULTED IN ABOUT 2 PERCENT SAVINGS AFTER TAKING INTO ACCOUNT EFFECTS OF DEPRESSED ECONOMY. THIS CONCLUSION, HOWEVER, IS BASED ON SURVEY OF LEADING MANUFACTURERS IN WHICH THEY WERE SIMPLY ASKED TO ESTIMATE SAVINGS WITHOUT HAVING TO SUBMIT DETAILED SUPPORTING DATA. MITI EXPECTS TO GET A CLEARER PICTURE AFTER INDUSTRIAL FIRMS SUBMIT PROGRESS REPORTS BY END OF APRIL ON ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES TAKEN.

3. SIMILARLY IT IS VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO ASSESS EFFECTIVENESS OF GOJ EXHORTATIONS TO GENERAL PUBLIC TO CONSERVE ENERGY THROUGH SUCH MEASURES AS LOWERING ROOM TEMPERATURES, CUTTING DOWN ON USE OF ELEVATORS AND CAR POOLING. OUR GENERAL IMPRESSION IS THAT PUBLIC AS A WHOLE IS RESPONDING SOMEWHAT TO GOJ SLOGANS, BUT REAL TEST OF DETERMINATION TO CONSERVE WILL HAVE TO AWAIT SUBSTANTIAL UPTURN IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, WHICH EMBASSY DOES NOT EXPECT TO OCCUR BEFORE LATE 1975.

4. ENERGY DATA: PRODUCTION, IMPORTS, CONSUMPTION AND COST (FIGURES IN PARENTHESES ARE PERCENT CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR).

	1974	PERCENT 1973	PERCENT 1972
CRUDE OIL			
PRODUCTION	784.6	-4.1	817.5 -2.9 833.3
(1,000 KL)			
IMPORTS	278,392	-3.9	289,698 16.3 249,192
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(KLS)			
IMPORTS	18,346.2	205.8	5,999.9 52.8 3,927.4
(MIL DOLLARS)			
CONSUMPTION	250,530	-3.0	258,180 12*8 219,028

	1974	PERCENT 1973	PERCENT 1972
COAL			
PRODUCTION	20,300	-9.4	22,400 -20.3 28,100
(1,000 MT)			

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IMPORTS	64,420	13.3	56,854 15.3 49,304
(1000 MT)			
IMPORTS	\$2,815	108.1	1,353.6 25.5 1,078.6
(MIL DOLLARS)			
CONSUMPTION	86,044	6.2	81,036 6.7 75,948
(1,000 MT)			
ELECTRICITY			

(MIL KWH)

430,839 -8.1 468,511 13.1 414,291

(NUCLEAR)

(16,234) (67.2) (9,707) 2.3 (9,480)

HEAVY OIL

(1,000 KL)

PRODUCTION

136,763 1.9 139,415 17.5 118,702

IMPORTS 15,554 1.2 15,366 -14.2 17,900

CONSUMP- 114,055 -11.9 129,356 11.8 115,623

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GASOLINE

(1,000 KL)

PRODUCTION

27,224 -0.7 27,431 11.0 24,712

IMPORTS -- -- 13 -- 2

CONSUMP- 26,784 -1.4 27,152 11.8 24.281

TION

KEROSENE

(1,000 KS)

PRODUCTION

22,119 -3.8 22,984 35.4 16,979

IMPORTS -- -- -- -- --

CONSUMP- 21,271 -1.0 21,472 25.7 17,075

TION

GAS OIL

(1,000 KL)

PRODUCTION

17,031 -5.6 18,028 24.3 14,507

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IMPORTS -- -- -- -- --

CONSUMP- 16,071 -4.2 16,762 19.5 14,027

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